

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

PROCLAMATION CONVENING THE LEGISLATURE IN
SPECIAL SESSION DURING THE YEAR 1987

MEMBERS OF THE SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, you are called to the chambers of the Senate and House of Representatives at the Capitol Building, City of Pierre, South Dakota, on Thursday, the 16th day of July, 1987, at 10:00 a.m. for a special session of the South Dakota Legislature pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, of the South Dakota Constitution.

A large number of states in the United States are currently involved in an intense competition for the location of the Superconducting Super Collider. The proposed super collider would be a research facility in the field of particle physics of a scope, size and importance unprecedented in the world. The region, in which the super collider will be located, will not only benefit from the infusion of over 3,000 scientific and technical jobs and the related business and support services that would be generated, but will also receive immense benefits from the infusion of cultural and intellectual resources and enhancement of the quality of life. If we are successful, the Superconducting Super Collider will be a tremendously prestigious asset for our state, and a facility of truly global scientific importance for centuries to come.

South Dakota decided to enter the competition for location of the super collider and you, the 1987 South Dakota Legislature, responded with an appropriation of \$900,000 to prepare South Dakota's super collider proposal. As Governor, I have appointed a Superconducting Super Collider Management Committee to prepare and oversee South Dakota's application and the committee has selected a site in Hanson, Miner and Sanborn counties. Although South Dakota is a rural state with a small population, we have several advantages, including excellent natural and geological characteristics at the proposed site and a conscientious and hard working labor force, which gives us a more than reasonable chance at success in this competition.

The management committee application is nearly complete and it includes a number of incentives to be offered to the Department of Energy for its consideration of South Dakota's proposal. These incentives include an offer of free lands for the super collider and access by the Department of Energy to proposed project lands for survey and study purposes.

Our application is regional in scope, and the governors of some of our neighboring states have signed an agreement with me to support our application in exchange for our commitment to include them as part of our regional resources.